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PROJECT BACKFIRE NETS A NEWBURG DRUG DEALER

David L. Huber, United States Attorney for the Western District of Kentucky, announced today that **DERIK WILLIAMS**, age 32, 3208 Indian Trail, Louisville, Kentucky, was sentenced to 10 years in prison and four years of supervised release following his prison term for possession of crack cocaine with the intent to distribute and carrying a handgun during a drug trafficking crime.

On August 10, 2004, **Williams** possessed 6.215 grams of crack cocaine at his residence in Newburg. **Williams** intended to sell his crack cocaine to others in and around Louisville. **Williams** carried a loaded firearm while engaged in drug trafficking. **Williams** was prosecuted as part of **Project Backfire**, which is a continuing cooperative effort between federal and state law enforcement to aggressively prosecute gun crimes.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Brian Butler, and it was investigated by the Flex Platoon of the Louisville Metro Police Department's 6th Division and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF).

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